Scheduled Tribes and one member belonging to minority community in the Committee/Board. These instructions are being implemented largely by the Ministries/Departments, their Attached/Subordinate Offices as also the Public Sector Undertakings under their control and a statement showing the representation of a member of minority community on the various Commissions/Boards Selection Committees, constituted during the half year ending 31st March, 1999, is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 77.]

IAS Officers on Deputation

3009. SHRI S.VIDHUTHALAI VIRUMBI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) The number of Indian Administrative Services Officers on deputations to the Government of India, State-wise and post-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that only the officers of States like Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and some other States are given preferences in getting posts in the Central Government; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE):

(a) Information as on 1-3-2000 is given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 78.]

(b) and (c) Every cadre of the IAS has a Central Deputation Reserve (CDR) which is 40% of the Senior Duty posts in the cadre. Names of eligible, suitable and willing officers are sponsored by every cadre for appointment at various levels in the Government of India, against the CDR. Since the number of Senior Duty posts varies from cadre to cadre depending upon the size of the cadres, CDR also varies accordingly. The number of IAS officers of a particular cadre appointed at a particular level in Government of India depends upon the CDR of that cadre, number of IAS officers sponsored by that cadre and the number of such officers found eligible for such appointments. Bigger cadres

like Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh having larger CDR, sponsor a large number of IAS officers for appointment under the Government of India in comparison to smaller cadres which have comparatively lower CDR.

Vacant posts in Different Ministries

3010. SHRI LAKHIRAM AGGARWAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of posts in different Groups are lying vacant since a long time in various Ministries;

(b) if so, the details thereof from March, 1999 to March, 2000, Group-wise, Ministry-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to fill-up these vacancies during the current year; and

(d) out of the above, what is the number of those posts which have been abolished or are in process of abolition which are lying vacant from more than one year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) The details of posts in different Groups that are lying vacant for the period from March 1999 to March 2000 is not available. However, according to the data published by the Pay Research Unit of the Ministry of Finance, the number of the posts that were lying vacant in Central Government offices as on 31-03-1998 was 3,45,686. The Group-wise and the Ministry-wise distribution of the posts lying vacant as on 31-3-98 is enclosed as Statement I and II (*See* below).

(c) Need based recuitment is being made by the concerned Ministries after taking into account the operational regurements and the Government instructions in this regard.

(d) This information is not maintained centrally.

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